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SUBJ: ONATRA TELECOM, LOAN 660-H-011

REF: KINSHASA 7266

SUMMARY: MOTOROLA PROPOSES ALTERNATE TECHNOLOGY FOR TASKS
1A AND 1B FOR ONATRA TELECOMMUNICATIONS. END SUMMARY.

1. REDSO/L TELECOM ENGINEER MUDY RECEIVED CABLE FROM
MOTOROLA/SCHAUMBURG ADVISING THAT THEY WERE UNABLE TO
LOCATE MANUFACTURER OF OPERWIRE TELEPHONE CARRIER EQUIPMENT
FROM U.S. OR FOREIGN SOURCES. THEY FURTHER ADVISED OF THEIR
DESIRE TO DISCUSS ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGY TO ACCOMPLISH TASKS
1A AND 1B WITH ONATRA AND USAID/KINSHASA. DATE FOR DISCUSSION
SUGGESTED FOR AUGUST 22 AT KINSHASA, HOWEVER, MOTOROLA WAS
INFORMED THAT CONCURRENCE ON DATE AND DESIRES OF USAID AND
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ONATRA/KINSHASA MUST FIRST BE KNOWN PRIOR TO FINALIZATION

OF MOTOROLA TRAVEL PLANS.

2. KINSHASA SHOULD BE AWARE THAT THIS ALTERNATIVE APPROACH WILL PROBABLY REQUIRE ADDITIONAL FUNDS AS WELL AS ADJUSTMENTS TO AAPC PROCUREMENT OF CABLE FOR TASK 1B. CABLE WOULD NOT BE REQUIRED IF ALTERNATIVE PROPOSAL IS ACCEPTED. THIS PLAN WOULD PROPOSE TO ACCOMPLISH BOTH TASKS 1A AND 1B BY TELEPHONE LINK FROM KINSHASA TO LUFU-TOTO VIA EXISTING BURIED CABLE USING CABLE-CARRIER EQUIPMENT. FROM LUFU-TOTO TO MATADI VIA RADIO MULTIPLEX USING TWO TERMINAL POINTS AND ONE RADIO RELAY STATION.

3. ALTHOUGH THIS PROPOSAL APPEARS TO BE ACCEPTABLE, OTHER ASPECTS OF SUCH AN INSTALLATION REQUIRE INVESTIGATION SUCH AS AVAILABILITY OF FUEL SOURCE AND DELIVERY FACILITIES AS WELL AS MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL.

4. PLEASE ADVISE IF KINSHASA INTERESTED IN FURTHER DISCUSSION ON MOTOROLA PROPOSAL AND DESIRED DATE. IF YES, WILL ADVISE MOTOLOLA/SCHAMBURG AND MUNDY WILL ATTEND DISCUSSIONS. MANFULL
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